

MINUTE ITEM

17. (PROPOSED PURCHASE OF FEDERAL LANDS, RIVERSIDE COUNTY, HARRY PON AND R. A. ELLSWORTH - S.W.O. 5671.)

After presentation of Calendar Item 7 attached, and upon motion duly made and unanimously carried, the following resolution was adopted:

THE ACTING EXECUTIVE OFFICER IS AUTHORIZED TO CERTIFY TO THE GOVERNOR THAT IT IS TO THE ADVANTAGE OF THE STATE TO EXCHANGE WITH THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT UNSURVEYED LANDS DESCRIBED AS SECTION 16, T. 9 N., R. 12 E., SECTION 36, T. 11 N., R. 13 E., SECTION 16, T. 12 N., R. 8 E., SECTION 36, T. 13 N., R. 1 E., SECTION 16, T. 13 N., R. 7 E., SECTION 36, T. 13 N., R. 7 E., SECTION 16, T. 13 N., R. 8 E., AND SECTION 36, T. 13 N., R. 10 E., S.B.M., CONTAINING 5,120 ACRES IN SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY, FOR SECTIONS 6, 8, 20, 28 AND 34, T. 8 S., R. 8 E., SW $\frac{1}{4}$ AND S $\frac{1}{2}$ OF NW $\frac{1}{4}$ OF SECTION 10 AND SECTIONS 26 AND 34, T. 8 S., R. 11 E., S.B.M., CONTAINING 4,573.95 ACRES IN RIVERSIDE COUNTY, OF EQUAL VALUE; THE ACTING EXECUTIVE OFFICER IS AUTHORIZED TO EXECUTE ON BEHALF OF THE STATE LANDS COMMISSION A CERTIFICATE PROVIDED FOR IN SECTION 6444 OF THE PUBLIC RESOURCES CODE; AND THE STATE, UPON ACQUISITION FROM THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT OF SECTIONS 6, 8, 20, 28 AND 34, T. 8 S., R. 8 E., SW $\frac{1}{4}$ AND S $\frac{1}{2}$ OF NW $\frac{1}{4}$ OF SECTION 10 AND SECTIONS 26 AND 34, T. 8 S., R. 11 E., S.B.M., IS TO OFFER SAID LANDS FOR SALE AT COMPETITIVE BIDDING IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RULES AND REGULATIONS GOVERNING THE SALE OF STATE SCHOOL LANDS, UNDER THE APPLICATION FILED BY HARRY PON AND R. A. ELLSWORTH.

Attachment

Calendar Item 7 (2 pages)

CALENDAR ITEM

SALE OF VACANT FEDERAL LAND

7.

(PROPOSED PURCHASE OF FEDERAL LANDS, RIVERSIDE COUNTY, HARRY PON AND R. A. ELLSWORTH - S.W.O. 5671.)

On August 19, 1953 Harry Pon and R. A. Ellsworth of Thermal, California, made application to purchase through this office Sections 6, 8, 20, 28 and 34, T. 8 S., R. 8 E., SW $\frac{1}{4}$ and S $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 10, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 14, E $\frac{1}{2}$ of Section 24 and Sections 26 and 34, T. 8 S., R. 11 E., S.B.M., containing 5,053.95 acres in Riverside County, under the State exchange procedure as authorized by Section 8552 of the Public Resources Code and Section 8 of the Taylor Grazing Act. The applicant submitted a deposit of 50 cents per acre, together with the expense deposit of \$250. Subsequently the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 14 and the E $\frac{1}{2}$ of Section 24, T. 8 S., R. 11 E., were deleted from the application to equalize the values.

An appraisal undertaken by the staff has established a valuation of \$15,549.25 on the selected Federal lands, while the lands offered by the State under the exchange have been valued at \$12,000.

On April 23, 1957 the Bureau of Land Management advised that the selected lands are available for exchange and that the values of the selected and offered lands are approximately equal for the purpose of the exchange; that there are no outstanding contests or protests of record; that the requirements pertaining to the application have been met; and that publication of the exchange is authorized.

In accordance with instructions from the Bureau of Land Management, the notices of the exchange application describing both the Government lands and the State lands were published for the required period in the newspapers designated by the Bureau of Land Management.

It is now necessary for the State to relinquish to the United States by an appropriate instrument of conveyance all right, title and interest of the State in and to the 5,120 acres of unsurveyed lands which would have passed to the State upon approval of the United States plats of survey pursuant to the provisions of the School Land Grant set forth in the Act of Congress approved March 3, 1853.

The exchange of the subject land is considered to be to the advantage of the State in that it will assist the State in satisfying a deficiency in the School Land Grant, will place in State ownership lands which are surveyed and therefore salable, and upon acquisition and sale of the selected lands will place them upon the tax rolls of the county in which they are situated.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE COMMISSION AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER TO CERTIFY TO THE GOVERNOR THAT IT IS TO THE ADVANTAGE OF THE STATE TO EXCHANGE WITH THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT UNSURVEYED LANDS DESCRIBED AS SECTION 16, T. 9 N., R. 12 E., SECTION 36, T. 11 N., R. 13 E., SECTION 16, T. 12 N., R. 8 E., SECTION 36, T. 13 N., R. 1 E., SECTION 16, T. 13 N., R. 7 E.,

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